(b) During 19990 and 1991, only the price of Amoxycillin Trihydrate, a Semi Synthetic Penicillin, has been reduced on 11-2-1991. Before the prices of formulations based on reduced price of this bulk drug could be notified, the price of amoxycillin Trihydrate has been revised upwards on account of exchange rate adjustment.

(c) and (d) Market price of bulk drugs is not monitored. However, while fixing the prices of scheduled formulations, notified price of the purchase price of bulk drug, whichever is lower, is taken into account.

(e) Does not arise.

Ban on import of certain drugs

2077. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM:

SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 659 given in the Rajya Sabha on 5th September, 1991 and state:

(a) what are the basis for maintaining that Government have not received any proposal for ban on import of Norfloxacin, Metroprolol Tarterate Piroxicam and Lorazapam;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government do not have any system to acknowledge the receipt of proposal or to register them in order of receipt;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether it is also a fact that proposals for ban on imports are kept pending for years and on this account indigenous production suffers in process; and

(e) what are the details of proposals if any pending to ban on imports upto 31st October, 1991?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) No regular proposals in the forms prescribed under EXIM Policy 1990-93 have been received in this respect.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Information will be compiled soon and laid on the Table of the House.

Consumption of Carbamezapine and Diclofenac Sodium

2078. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total consumption of Carbamezapine and Diclofenac Sodium in the country and what is the estimated requirement for 1992-93;

(b) whether it is a fact that these drugs are produced as well as imported in the country;

(c) if so, names of the producers and what was the production of each drug of each producer during the last three years, yearwise;

(d) what was the imports of each during the last three years, yearwise;

(e) whether it is a fact that these drugs are under price control; and

(f) if so, what was the price of each drug on which prices of finished medicines were fixed at consumer level and what is the present CIF and landed cost of import of each drug?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) To the extent the information in readily available, the total consumption of carbamezapine in the country during 1988-89 was 22.33 MT. Data on Diclofenac Sodium is not monitored.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The details are given below:—

Name of Items	Name(s) of Prodcer	Period					
		1987-88		1988-89		1989-90	
		Prodn.	Import	Prodn.	Import	Prodn.	Import
Carbamezapine	S.G. Chem.	..	19.575 MT	237 Kg.	22.085 MT	..	28.4 MT
Diclofenac Sodium	Hindustan Ciba-Geigy	*	—	*	3.649 MT	*	8.36 MT

*Production not minotored.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) The landed prices of thes bulk drugs considered in fixing the prices of the concerned finished medicines are as under:—

Sl. No.	Name of bulk drug	Landed price Rs. per Kg.
1.	Carbamezapine	4582.38
2.	Diclofenac Sodium	3144.28

Since landed cost of each drug is computed on the basis of total annual imports, the present CIF cost and landed cost are not available.

Assessment of oxytetracycline of M/s. PFIZER

2079. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstared Question 650 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th September, 1991 and state:

(a) what is the quantity of Oxytetracycline in respect of which assessment of M/s. Pfizer upto December, 1983 is based;

(b) when the liability of M/s. Merind was communicated to that company and what are the reasons for non recovery of even single penny form that company;

(c) whether the recovery in respect of M/s. Ethnor final is made;

(d) if not, what is the position;

(e) whether it is a fact that assessment in respect of xylocine formulation of S. G. Pharmeceuticals have not been made by the Special Team; and

(f) if so, the reasons thereof and by when the assessment would be made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The revised assessment of Rs. 87.61 lakhs as the tentative liability of M/s. Pfizer is related to the various Oxytetracycline formulations covering the period April 1981 to August 1982. The exact quantity of the bulk drug has yet to be computed because it has been consumed for other formulations also, such as Veterinary formulatins...

(b) The total tentative liability of Rs. 22.80 crores, covering the period upto 1986, was communicated to M|s. Merind by February 1991. Recently, the company requested for an opportunity to explain their points of view personally to the authorities in this Deptt.

(c) and (d) The recovery of Rs. 10.19 lakhs, in the case of M|s. Ethnor is final for the period upto Dec. 83. Data for the subsequent period is still awaited from the company, on the receipt of which further liability, if any will be determined.

(e) and (f) The representation of M|s. Ambalal Sarabhai Enterprises (for S. G.